September 9, 2024

## Via ECF

MEMO ENDORSE

The Honorable Nelson S. Román United States District Judge United States District Court Southern District of New York 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, NY 10601

Re: John McKins v. Tara Pye, Joanne Russo-Lanza, United

Hebrew Soundview Senior Living

Case No.: 19-cv-04633

Dear Judge Román:

We write jointly with Alannah M. Irwin, Esq., the limited-scope counsel for Pro Se Plaintiff, John McKins to request an Order of Referral to Mediation and stay of post-discovery deadlines pending the completion of mediation. The Parties have discussed the possible resolution of this matter with the assistance of a third party mediator. Ms. Irwin is in the process of extending the scope of her representation in order to represent Mr. McKins in a mediation session. As a result, the Parties respectfully request the Court issue an Order of Referral to a Court Appointed Mediator (preferably with housing discrimination experience), and while the Parties participate in mediation, we request that all post-discovery deadlines be stayed.

If the matter does not resolve at mediation, Defendants and Pro Se Plaintiff (with the assistance of the City Bar Justice Center SDNY Federal Pro Se Legal Assistance Project) intend to file motions for summary judgment and also request the Court permit the submission of pre-motion letters after any mediation stay.

We thank the Court in advance for its courtesy in this regard.

Very truly yours,

JACKSON LEWIS P.C.

Mary A. Smith

The parties' joint request to stay post-discovery deadlines and to adjourn *sine die* the Sept. 12, 2024 Status Teleconf. is GRANTED. The parties are directed to provide the Court with a written settlement status update on or before Nov. 12, 2024. Limited-scope counsel for *pro se* Plaintiff is directed to mail a copy of this endorsement to *pro se* Plaintiff and file proof of service. Clerk of Court is requested to terminate the motion at ECF No. 60.

Dated: September 11, 2024

White Plains, NY



HON. NELSON S. ROMÁN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

SO ORDERED: